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11 July 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SR/3

FROM: []

SUBJECT: Meeting with Walter DUNNICK on 11 July 1978

Participants

Walter DUNNICK

JF (CND/CNO)
(also Department of Defense)

Background

1. In the afternoon of 30 July 1978, DUNNICK contacted Chief, SR/3 and requested that the latter get in touch with [] so let the latter know that DUNNICK was in town.

2. At 1800 hours on 11 July, I telephoned DUNNICK at the Rager Smith Hotel (National 8-5746, Room 810). DUNNICK indicated that he was in Washington with STEIN for the hearings of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. During the conversation we arranged the following:

It was agreed that I would call DUNNICK again today (11 July) at 1400 hours at which time we would set a meeting time dependent upon STEIN's schedule. I also pointed out that I wanted to see STEIN alone (i.e. without Ignatius KILINSKY, who is again accompanying STEIN and acting as his interpreter).

3. When I telephoned DUNNICK again at 1400 hours, he informed me that STEIN's schedule was such that he could not meet me until tomorrow (1 August 1978). In view of the fact that I will be out of town tomorrow, I told DUNNICK that I would meet him at 1500 hours today (11 July) and that I would bring with me an individual who could then meet with STEIN tomorrow.

Meeting

4. At 1445 hours today [] and I arrived at the Rager Smith Hotel and telephoned DUNNICK in his room who asked for five minutes "to tidy up his room". (After entering his room at 1450 hours DUNNICK stated that he had in fact been talking to two members of UNIA and had to show them out prior to our entry.

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5. After interviewing [redacted] of my office, I asked [redacted] for the answers to two questions which I had posed to [redacted] via [redacted] at our last meeting. [redacted] stated that he had posed the questions but that he had understood that I personally would get the answers from [redacted] and that he in no way had attempted to get those answers. [redacted] stated that he had been talking to [redacted] about the questions which I had posed. In view of this, either his memory is slightly poor or also [redacted] has evaded his readiness to answer my questions if he were asked those questions by the United States Government. In my opinion the latter is the case. I did not pursue the subject but I did indicate that it had been my clear understanding that [redacted] was to have answered my questions to [redacted] and that I or a representative of mine would pick up the answers from [redacted].

6. Further, I stated that in view of the fact that [redacted] declared to both us Indian sources I had brought with me [redacted] was interested specifically in this area. At this time [redacted] the arrangements to meet [redacted] at 1100 hours on Friday, 1 August, in [redacted]'s room at the Reger Hotel Hotel. [redacted] All files up this arrangement by telephone with [redacted] at [redacted] hotel room [redacted] about 0900 hours.

7. Prior to leaving I told [redacted] that I was following with [redacted] the activities of Dr. [redacted] who he is in this country. On 14 May, [redacted] had evaded to the same Committee that his organization was in operational contact with elements of the OSS in the [redacted] in view of this statement I suggested that [redacted] might want to discuss this matter in greater detail but in no way indicated to him or them. In [redacted] was made for a future meeting between [redacted] and myself.

General

8. In view of the fact that [redacted] quite obviously refused to discuss through [redacted] the basic questions regarding the intentions of his organization in the United States, it seems to me that he is substantially evading our approach. In view of this it behooves us to make him in turn. Hence I am extremely a representative of the United States Government on the highest level, my refusal to see him by not making any commitment for a future meeting should serve as a rebuff to him. However, the rebuff is not a final closing of the door since [redacted] will at least bring to [redacted] [redacted] has to say about his Indian source. I have asked [redacted] not to touch on [redacted] matters in any way except to indicate the fact that we were carrying a "misunderstanding" had arisen regarding the manner in which we were to have given answers to the questions we had previously posed. Further, [redacted] all states that the United States Government will continue to stand with interest the activities of the [redacted].

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9. Although prior to this substance meeting we had agreed that we would explore the possibility of a direct contact between "subject" L.A. operators and the SMOB/DA, I believe that in view of the factors pointed up there such communication would be premature.

10. I believe the present approach as suggested there will serve the purpose of learning and that KENNEDY has to say as British officials and should also note his own that we, in turn, are aware of limitations inherent as well as the various elements of the present situation.

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